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SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT IN MANILA OF NAMRU-2 DETACHMENT

1. WE HAVE BEEN APPROACHED BY CAPT. SORENSON AND DR. CROSS
OF NAMRU-2 IN TAIPEI CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SMALL
NAMRU-2 DETACHMENT (6-8 MEN) IN MANILA. THIS PROPOSAL HAS
BEEN INFORMALLY DISCUSSED WITH THE PHILIPPINE DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH WHICH WELCOMES THE IDEA.

2. NAMRU-2 PERSONNEL HAVE BEEN CONDUCTING MEDICAL RESEARCH IN
THE PHILIPPINES FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS, WORKING IN CLOSE COOPERA-
TION WITH PHILIPPINE HEALTH AUTHORITIES. NAMRU HAS A FINE
REPUTATION HERE AND WE WOULD WELCOME THE ESTABLISHMENT IN MANILA
OF THE SMALL DETACHMENT CONTEMPLATED.

3. IF THE APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON AGENCIES APPROVE THE CONCEPT
OF ESTABLISHING A NAMRU DETACHMENT IN MANILA, WE WOULD BE
PREPARED TO MODIFY THE CURRENT NAMRU-2 AGREEMENT WITH THE
GOP AS REQUIRED.

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